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Application of: Kenneth A. Welchman et al.

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AUTOMATED GAME BALL INSPECTION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, enclosed is a list of 35 references on Form PTO-1449 for the Examiner's review and consideration. The references were cited in related application Serial No. 09/133,712, filed August 13, 1998 for Apparatus and Method For Automated Game Ball Inspection.

Copies of the references listed herein on the Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed as they should be available in the file of the related application noted above. Copies will be submitted upon request by the Examiner. Applicant respectfully requests that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the above-identified application by the Examiner's completion and return of the Form PTO-1449.

No fee is believed due for this submission. Should a fee be required, please charge any such fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP's Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

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